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SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, III. – Scott AFB will hold a National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremony at 9 a.m., Sept. 19 at the base Parade Field. Mrs. Lise Pommois, French liasion and international consultant for the 12th Armored Museum, will deliver the keynote address. She has donated her time and more than 200 historic photos from her personal collection to the museum which chronicles the 12th Armored Division as it stormed through Europe during World War II, capturing Nazis and liberating concentration camps.

Most National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremonies have been held at the Pentagon. On Sept. 19, 1986, however, the national ceremony was held on the steps of the U.S. Capitol. Now, ceremonies are held throughout the nation and around the world on military installations, ships at sea, state capitols, and many other places. The POW/MIA flag is flown during the ceremony and the focus is to ensure that America remembers its responsibility to stand behind those who serve our nation and do everything possible to account for those who do not return.

Anyone wishing to cover the ceremony should contact the 375th Airlift Wing Public Affairs office at (618) 256-4241, no later than 4 p.m. Thursday. For more information on this release, contact TSgt. Steve Horton at (618) 256-4241.